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COURTESIES AND SERVICES RENDERED BY EMBASSY
TO AMERICAN VISITORS NOT RESIDENT IN LONDON

October 1 to December 31, 1961

A. Categories of Visitors Reported	Number
Official	414
Congressional Includes members of Congressional parties who are not Congressmen. Of this number, 49 were Congressmen.	106
Other	186
TOTAL	706

B. Types of Courtesies and Services Reported Rendered

1.	Met upon arrival	86	(49)*
2.	Hotel reservation made	381	(48)
3.	Local transportation provided	64	(24)
4.	Appointment with Ambassador	42	(11)
5.	Briefing by Ambassador	3	(3)
6.	Meeting with Embassy officers other than Ambassador	207	(16)
7.	Lunch or dinner at Ambassador's residence	29	(5)
8.	Reception or cocktails at Ambassador's residence	80	(5)
9.	Entertainment by other Embassy officers	42	(7)
10.	Arrangements made for schedules, itinerary, onward travel or public relations	299	(26)
11.	Appointments made with official or non-official British persons	82	(17)
12.	Secretarial assistance provided	26	(1)
13.	Accompanied to departure point	54	(35)

C. Congressional Letters

During the quarter, the Embassy received roughly 220 Congressional letters.

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*The figures in parenthesis represent the total number of services reported rendered to the 49 Congressmen who visited London during the quarter. [illegible]

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"For Secretary from Bruce.

1. After reconsideration of views set forth in reftel, on our position vis a vis UK-Six Negotiations, I feel even more strongly that it would be most injudicious to inject ourselves at this stage into the affair.

2. US officials have repeatedly, publicly and privately, proclaimed what in their opinion were desirable principles.

3. There has been, for months, widespread comment here, on the Continent and in the British Commonwealth, that USG would find unacceptable some of the proposals advanced in the course of the negotiations.

4. The negotiation has now advanced to a point where anything we further say will not influence, but will only offend."

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Tom Keating about this, discouraging the thought of inviting him to an early morning breakfast. He is receiving a perfect flood of invitations. He is so good-natured, I fear his trip to England will not leave him much leisure to take the grandchildren sightseeing.

This morning I sent off a couple of telegrams about the Vice President's visit to Jamaica.

I paid a return call on the High Commissioner of Sierre Leone, Dr. W. H. Fitzjohn, at 33 Portland Place. His Government has a 60-year lease on this house. It is a [redacted] beautiful one, with glorious Adam stucco work and fine mahogany doors and brasses. Dr. Fitzjohn is proud of a photograph taken of himself and President Kennedy after the disagreeable incident in which Fitzjohn was involved when refused service by a restaurant or hotel in Hagerstown, Maryland.

He talked of diamond mining in Sierre Leone. The deposits there seem [redacted] fabulous. At the present rate of extraction, they think they have enough to last 100 years. Recently a diamond was discovered weighing 750 carats.

I lunched at Bucks. I continued with Mr. Russell our previous conversation about the UK joining the Common Market. He [redacted] was not [redacted] convinced by Lord Home's excellent statement yesterday in the House of Lords.

Dick Neustadt came to see me this afternoon. Reluctantly he is returning to his university, with the hope of coming abroad again in a couple of years. He is an engaging fellow.

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Kermit Roosevelt called on me. He is remarkably intelligent and capable. He is in the course of making visits to North Africa and the Middle East in connection with Gulf Oil business. It is gratifying to know [redacted] how cultivated several of the grandchildren of Theodore Roosevelt are, as were their fathers, Kermit and Theodore, as well as the unsurpassable aunt, Alice Longworth.

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and others

I had the following American correspondents at the house for cocktails:

T. Ochiltree, AP
J. Harsch, NBC
J. Fromm, US News & World Report
E. Griffiths, Newsweek
A. Kendrick, CBS
R. McLeish, Westinghouse
G. Hovey, Minneapolis Star Tribune
E. Gilmore, UPI
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Ritter, Ritters Publications
Amb. Lewis Douglas
Marguerite Lambkin
Mary Peltz
Mr. Williams

The newspaper correspondents were quizzical and inquiring. They were all much interested in the Soblen case, but thought the real culprit in the matter [redacted] was [redacted] the American Government in that he had been able to make his escape from the United States. There was rather a feeling amongst them that it did not make much difference, except for newspaper copy, as to how long his departure from here was delayed, since he is dying of leukaemia.

Afterwards, we went to the Michael Berrys for dinner. The Maudlings, Graham Sutherland and his wife, the Duchess of Buccleuch, and a member of Parliament were the other guests. I found Sutherland, whom I had not met before, unusually attractive in conversation. He has a house in France, near Mentone, but is thinking of ridding himself of it in order to buy or lease a Palladian villa in the Veneto. We had much conversation after dinner about British politics and conditions in Communist China.

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Office business. I lunched at Bucks Club with Ted Heath. He talked at length about his negotiations in Brussels. On one occasion, the conferees met for 17 hours without, so far as Heath was concerned, anything but short intermissions. He looks splendidly.

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I sent the following cable: